REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated July 6, 2004. Claims 1-16 were examined in the Office Action. Claims 6-11 and 16 were allowed. Claims 12-16 were objected to. Claims 1-5 were rejected. Claims 12-16 have been amended to correct typographical errors thus, the objections to claims 12-16 are obviated. Claims 1-5 have been canceled. Examination and reconsideration based on this Amendment and the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification

The abstract was amended to correct for improper format. The specification was amended to correct informalities according to instructions from the Examiner.

Claim Rejections 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 1, 2 and 5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Camarda, Bill et al., Special Edition Using Microsoft Word 2000, Chapter 9 - "Tables: Organizing Your Pages" (Que Publishing, 1999) (hereafter "Camarda"). Claims 1, 2, and 5 have been canceled.

Claim Rejections 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 3 and 4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Camarda, in view of Microsoft Word 2000 (© 1999). Claims 3 and 4 have been canceled.

Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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